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See atached supplemental amendment incuding changes to claim 25.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Colin Fairman on 10/09/2006.

Amend claim 25.

Claim 25 (Presently Amended) A method of removing phosphorous from phosphorous containing sewage including filtrate and biosolids comprising the steps of:

- (a) contacting the sewage [with a first polymeric membrane reactor and removing phosphorous as struvite;] at one side of a cation exchange membrane reactor, contacting the other side of the membrane with a magnesium containing solution, passing the magnesium through the membrane to the sewage containing phosphorous;
- (b) precipitating the phosphorous from the waste as primary struvite;
- [(b) adding Mg to make the sewage supersaturated with struvite;] and
- (c) <u>further</u> contacting the sewage with a [second] monomolecular membrane and removing phosphorous as secondary struvite.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wanda L. Walker can be reached on (571) 272-1151. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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